

1 CLAIMS

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3 What is claimed is:

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5 No land or water

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7 1. An inflatable watercraft support device for supporting a watercraft, the support
8 device comprising:

9 a first support bladder having a first end and a second end;

10 a second support bladder having a first end and a second end; and

11 connecting means for connecting the first end of the first support bladder to the
12 first end of the second support bladder.

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14 2. The support device of claim 1 wherein the first end of the first support bladder
15 and the first end of the second support bladder are angled in a generally upward direction
16 relative to the second end of the first support bladder and the second end of the second
17 support bladder.

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19 3. The support device of claim 1 wherein the second end of the first support bladder
20 and the second end of the second support bladder are sloped in a generally downward
21 direction.

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23 4. The support device of claim 1 wherein the first support bladder and the second
24 support bladder tapers downward from the first end to the second end.

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26 5. The support device of claim 1 wherein the connecting means is a swivel device,
27 the swivel device having an aperture formed in the first support bladder and the second
28 support bladder and a pin mechanism insertable into the aperture.

- 1 6. The support device of claim 1 wherein the connecting means is a fixed
2 securement device selected from the group consisting of welding and threads.
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- 4 7. The support device of claim 1 wherein the first support bladder and the second
5 support bladder are fluidly connected to each other.
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- 7 8. The support device of claim 1 and further comprising:
8 adjusting means between the first support bladder and the second support bladder
9 for adjusting and releasably maintaining the spacing between the second
10 end of the first support bladder and the second end of the second support
11 bladder.
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- 13 9. The support device of claim 8 wherein the adjusting means is at least one
14 adjustable strap extending between the first support bladder and the second support
15 bladder.
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- 17 10. The support device of claim 1, and further comprising:
18 a floor between the first support bladder and the second support bladder.
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- 20 11. The support device of claim 10, and further comprising:
21 lacing between the floor and the first support bladder and the second support
22 bladder.
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- 24 12. The support device of claim 1, and further comprising:
25 at least one stake-down aperture along the first support bladder.
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- 27 13. The support device of claim 12, and further comprising:
28 at least one stake-down aperture along the second support bladder.
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- 1 14. The support device of claim 1, and further comprising:
2 at least one handle on the first support device.
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- 4 15. The support device of claim 14, and further comprising:
5 at least one handle on the second support device.
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- 7 16. The support device of claim 1, and further comprising:
8 a first fill valve in the first support bladder; and
9 a second fill valve in the second bladder.
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- 11 17. The support device of claim 1, and further comprising:
12 first inhibiting means associated with the first support bladder for maintaining the
13 position of the first support bladder when positioned upon land, ice, or
14 snow.
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- 16 18. The support device of claim 17, and further comprising:
17 second inhibiting means associated with the second support bladder for
18 maintaining the position of the second support bladder when positioned
19 upon the land, ice, or snow.
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- 21 19. An apparatus for docking and towing a watercraft, the apparatus comprising:
22 a first bladder having a first end and a second end;
23 a second bladder having a first end and a second end;
24 connecting means for connecting the first end of the first bladder to the first end of
25 the second bladder; and
26 sheet material connected between the first bladder and the second bladder;
27 wherein the first bladder and the second bladder have a substantially V-shaped
28 configuration.
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- 1 20. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein the sheet material has a substantially triangular
2 configuration.
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- 4 21. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein the sheet material is secured between the first
5 bladder and the second bladder by lacing.
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- 7 22. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein the first end of the first bladder and the first
8 end of the second bladder are angled in a generally upward direction relative to the
9 second end of the first bladder and the second end of the second bladder.
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- 11 23. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein the second end of the first bladder and the
12 second end of the second bladder are sloped in a generally downward direction.
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- 14 24. The apparatus of claim 19 wherein the connecting means is a fixed securement
15 device selected from the group consisting of welding and threads.
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- 17 25. The apparatus of claim 19, and further comprising:
18 at least one stake-down aperture along the first bladder.
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- 20 26. The apparatus of claim 25, and further comprising:
21 at least one stake-down aperture along the second bladder.
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- 23 27. The apparatus of claim 19, and further comprising:
24 at least one handle on the first bladder.
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- 26 28. The apparatus of claim 27, and further comprising:
27 at least one handle on the second bladder.
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- 29 29. The apparatus of claim 19, and further comprising:

- 1 a first fill valve in the first bladder; and
2 a second fill valve in the second bladder.
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- 4 30. The apparatus of claim 19, and further comprising:
5 first inhibiting means associated with the first bladder for maintaining the position
6 of the first bladder when positioned upon land, snow, or ice.
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- 8 31. The apparatus of claim 30, and further comprising:
9 second inhibiting means associated with the second bladder for maintaining the
10 position of the second bladder when positioned upon land, snow or ice.
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- 12 32. A method for docking and towing a watercraft, the method comprising:
13 providing a first support bladder and a second support bladder;
14 connecting the first support bladder to the second support bladder creating a
15 support device;
16 positioning the support device; and
17 maneuvering the watercraft onto the support device.
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- 19 33. The method of claim 32, and further comprising:
20 adjusting the spacing between the first support bladder and the second support
21 bladder.
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- 23 34. The method of claim 32, and further comprising:
24 angling an end of the support device in a generally upward direction.
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- 26 35. The method of claim 32, and further comprising:
27 sloping an end of support device in a generally downward direction.
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- 29 36. The method of claim 32, and further comprising:

1 securing a floor between the first support bladder and the second support bladder.

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3 37. The method of claim 32, and further comprising:

4 securing the support device to land, snow, or ice.

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7 pulling the support device along water or ice.

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9 39. The method of claim 32, and further comprising:

10 inhibiting movement of the support device when positioned upon land, snow, or

11 ice.

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